

Table I.B.1.a(1998) Percent of number of private-sector employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1998

Characteristics	Total	Less than 10 employees	10 - 24 employees	25 - 99 employees	100-999 employees	1000 or more employees	Less than 50 employees	50 or more employees
United States	110,575,764	14.8%	9.6%	15.2%	17.7%	42.7%	32.2%	67.8%
Industry group								
Agric., fish., forest.	2,014,028	38.3%	17.4%	14.1%	5.8% *	24.3%	62.2%	37.8%
Mining	556,236	5.5% *	3.1% *	9.9% *	24.5%	57.1%	10.2% *	89.8%
Construction	5,759,774	32.7%	18.5%	25.9%	15.9%	7.0% *	64.9%	35.1%
Manufacturing	19,030,318	6.2%	5.7%	12.9%	22.1%	53.1%	17.7%	82.3%
Transp., commu., util.	6,557,839	6.6%	5.9%	10.7%	14.8%	62.0%	18.7%	81.3%
Wholesale trade	7,312,313	12.2%	9.7%	16.4%	16.1%	45.7%	31.1%	68.9%
Retail trade	22,338,092	13.8%	11.1%	15.2%	13.3%	46.6%	33.3%	66.7%
Fin., ins., real est.	8,328,758	11.8%	6.6%	10.6%	13.5%	57.5%	22.6%	77.4%
Services	38,658,499	18.3%	10.2%	16.5%	20.6%	34.3%	37.1%	62.9%
Unknown	19,907	77.9%	*****	*****	22.1% *	*****	77.9%	22.1% *
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	82,454,948	11.4%	9.8%	15.8%	16.4%	46.5%	29.4%	70.6%
For profit, unincorporated	10,412,506	47.9%	13.6%	12.5%	15.2%	10.7%	68.6%	31.4%
Nonprofit	13,899,205	13.6%	7.6%	17.4%	30.4%	31.0%	30.2%	69.8%
Unknown	3,809,105	0.7%	*****	2.3% *	7.2%	89.9%	1.0%	99.0%
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	8,255,628	41.2%	19.6%	20.5%	10.5%	8.2%	74.4%	25.6%
5-9 years	9,225,486	30.7%	20.0%	22.2%	18.7%	8.4%	62.9%	37.1%
10-19 years	17,548,630	25.9%	16.2%	23.2%	20.1%	14.6%	55.1%	44.9%
20 or more years	48,665,930	11.4%	8.7%	17.9%	24.4%	37.6%	28.5%	71.5%
Unknown	26,880,090	0.1% *	0.2%	1.2%	6.1%	92.5%	0.5%	99.5%
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	64,833,636	0.4%	1.7%	6.6%	20.3%	71.0%	4.6%	95.4%
1 location only	45,742,128	35.1%	20.7%	27.5%	14.0%	2.6%	71.4%	28.6%
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	5,512,594	32.8%	15.0%	22.8%	16.4%	13.0%	62.3%	37.7%
25-49%	8,019,315	14.9%	9.9%	12.3%	15.6%	47.4%	31.1%	68.9%
50-74%	12,467,954	20.3%	10.7%	14.2%	19.9%	34.8%	38.8%	61.2%
75% or more	84,575,902	12.8%	9.0%	15.2%	17.7%	45.3%	29.4%	70.6%
Union presence								
No union employees	84,262,434	17.7%	11.7%	18.1%	18.6%	34.0%	38.9%	61.1%
Has union employees	17,033,869	5.6% *	2.2%	7.3%	17.5%	67.4%	10.1%	89.9%
Unknown	9,279,461	5.5%	4.0%	4.0%	10.2%	76.3%	12.0%	88.0%
Percent low-wage employees								
50% or more low wage	10,181,997	24.4%	16.6%	22.5%	19.9%	16.5%	53.3%	46.7%
Less than 50% low wage	67,955,244	19.2%	12.5%	20.6%	22.7%	25.1%	42.1%	57.9%
Unknown	32,438,523	2.6%	1.3%	1.8%	6.6%	87.7%	4.8%	95.2%

Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Center for Cost and Financing Studies. 1998 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey - Insurance Component.

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Percents may not add to 100% because of rounding.

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Table I.B.1.a(1998) Standard error for percent of number of private-sector employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1998

Characteristics	Total	Less than 10 employees	10 - 24 employees	25 - 99 Employees	100-999 employees	1000 or more employees	Less than 50 employees	50 or more employees
United States	1,378,821	0.35%	0.25%	0.33%	0.56%	0.54%	0.38%	0.38%
Industry group								
Agric., fish., forest.	137,904	3.79%	3.62%	2.03%	2.00% *	5.93%	5.89%	5.89%
Mining	141,076	4.28% *	1.12% *	4.79% *	5.51%	7.53%	8.44% *	8.44%
Construction	201,577	1.23%	0.53%	1.44%	1.83%	2.15% *	1.74%	1.74%
Manufacturing	713,645	1.09%	0.54%	0.80%	0.85%	1.17%	0.91%	0.91%
Transp., comm., util.	308,890	1.51%	0.77%	1.60%	3.48%	3.60%	2.63%	2.63%
Wholesale trade	271,997	1.43%	0.74%	1.98%	1.63%	3.49%	1.82%	1.82%
Retail trade	670,951	0.82%	0.34%	0.58%	0.79%	1.19%	0.68%	0.68%
Fin., ins., real est.	378,319	0.56%	0.84%	1.75%	1.05%	1.65%	1.31%	1.31%
Services	737,629	0.66%	0.48%	0.62%	1.09%	1.25%	0.67%	0.67%
Unknown	3,968	13.28%	*****	*****	10.70% *	*****	13.28%	10.70% *
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	1,152,284	0.51%	0.28%	0.37%	0.46%	0.83%	0.53%	0.53%
For profit, unincorporated	222,556	1.22%	0.38%	0.64%	1.84%	1.76%	1.32%	1.32%
Nonprofit	701,568	0.87%	1.00%	0.87%	2.30%	2.76%	1.66%	1.66%
Unknown	457,957	0.19%	*****	1.11% *	2.02%	2.65%	0.27%	0.27%
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	218,536	1.37%	1.13%	1.17%	1.58%	1.75%	1.82%	1.82%
5-9 years	351,243	1.43%	1.49%	1.35%	1.65%	2.01%	1.85%	1.85%
10-19 years	408,870	1.31%	0.73%	0.88%	1.40%	1.67%	1.39%	1.39%
20 or more years	1,122,677	0.61%	0.32%	0.62%	0.75%	0.83%	0.62%	0.62%
Unknown	523,746	0.06% *	0.04%	0.18%	0.35%	0.34%	0.09%	0.09%
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	961,874	0.08%	0.22%	0.25%	0.75%	0.64%	0.21%	0.21%
1 location only	1,209,256	0.44%	0.48%	0.84%	0.69%	0.40%	0.65%	0.65%
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	292,315	1.77%	0.84%	1.65%	1.63%	3.27%	2.26%	2.26%
25-49%	412,439	1.61%	0.94%	0.71%	1.29%	3.14%	2.06%	2.06%
50-74%	454,862	1.21%	0.67%	1.03%	1.42%	2.35%	1.80%	1.80%
75% or more	1,440,382	0.47%	0.32%	0.41%	0.65%	0.73%	0.47%	0.47%
Union presence								
No union employees	1,233,952	0.28%	0.25%	0.40%	0.68%	0.80%	0.33%	0.33%
Has union employees	1,006,656	1.72% *	0.45%	0.85%	1.64%	2.44%	1.86%	1.86%
Unknown	610,262	0.97%	1.07%	0.53%	1.51%	2.35%	1.61%	1.61%
Percent low-wage employees								
50% or more low wage	400,046	0.93%	1.21%	1.11%	1.63%	1.48%	1.65%	1.65%
Less than 50% low wage	1,643,168	0.52%	0.34%	0.63%	0.76%	0.73%	0.61%	0.61%
Unknown	746,353	0.39%	0.32%	0.21%	0.50%	0.56%	0.44%	0.44%

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